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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.312

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Dear Sir:

Following the Notice of Allowance mailed February 7, 2005, please amend the claims of this application as follows: